

## Reaching every nation, one ship at a time.

WAR In case you have not heard, there is a war going on in Ukraine. I believe we should avoid the pitfall of being sucked into the news to keep up with all the latest reports of what may or may not be true. However, I FIRMLY believe that this war should cause us to pray most fervently for our brothers and sisters both in Ukraine and Russia. This part of the world is typically known among missionaries for its cold and hard ground. They are very direct, to the point, express no emotion, and provide very little opportunity for the gospel to be heard. We have been invited to eat aboard ships with nationalities from all over the world, but never from this part of the world. Just a few days ago, we were aboard a ship with very mixed nationalities... but we came across a tough looking man who ended up being from Ukraine. I looked at him and solemnly said, "I am praying for your family and your country." Upon hearing those words, he nearly burst out in tears. War is never a good thing, but let us pray that God will use these devastating times to soften the hearts of the Ukrainian people to the precious gospel of His dear Son!



This month, we did a shopping run for a Ukrainian crew that could not leave the ship. While doing this, I met a twenty year old saved Ukrainian man named **Daniil**. He was SO EXCITED to meet another believer since all the other crew are Russian Orthodox. His only request from me was that I bring him a BIBLE! Upon my return to the ship with the items, the men (unusually) expressed their gratitude and asked why I did not charge anything. I used this opportunity to explain to them the free gift of God's salvation. After I was finished, I presented Daniil the Bible and all his crew began to say, "Oh no! Daniil used to preach the same thing to us from his phone, now he will preach to us from that 'Book'!" Praise the Lord! I enjoyed my time with Daniil and tried my best to encourage him in the Lord. Also, please continue to pray for the salvation of my Ukrainian friend **Nik**. (I've been corresponding with him for well over a year now.)



Indian Cuisine It seems like we had an unusual amount of Indian ships this month. And on one of them, we did three separate shopping runs for them during two different berths to the pier. They fed us several wonderful Indian meals and each of them received a Hindi gospel tract and John and Romans in Hindi. Please pray with us that the Lord will use His Word mingled with our meager efforts to make a difference in the souls of these men.

The Printed Page One of our greatest struggles in the port ministry is finding continual access to scripture portions in all the languages we deal with. This month, we began to print and compile our own scripture portions for texts that are no longer in print or are impossible for us to find. During our monthly teen activity, we had the teenagers help us put some of these Russian scriptures together and we had a GREAT time! After we finished, we spent some time together in prayer for the Russian - speaking people of Russia and Ukraine.

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